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THE GOLD CHAIN.

A dreary November twilight. Dead

leaves raining down at every gust of the

inconstant wind—strange, spicy scents

rising up out of the ground—and a new

moon hanging like a sickle of blood low

over the purpled dark of the southerly

sky.

Dreary and chilly; a dying year; a fast

glimmering dusk; yet the windows of Mrs.

Oxgate's old brown farm house hung out

their cherry signals behind the fringed

cotton curtains, and when the kitchen

door opened, you could see the red shine

of the blazing logs, the figures coming

and going, like a miniature magic lan-
tern.

It was Dora Oxgate that opened it, and

came flitting out to the well, with a scar-
let shawl fastened over her head, and an

empty cedar pail in her hand. As her

light feet pattered over the carpet of

autumn leaves in the pathway, she sang

a snatch of that good old-fashioned hymn:

Rock of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in—

My goodness alive! What's that?

For, as the words trailed sweetly from

her tongue, a tall, dark figure had risen

from the low wooden bench under the

apple tree, whose boughs overhung the

well.

Don't be alarmed, said a deep, sweet

contralto, with a scornful intonation in

its sound. It's only me, Dora.

Joanna Efield?

Yes, Joanna Efield. What then? Have

I fallen so low that I am no longer

worthy to sit beneath the old apple tree?

If so, tell me so at once, and I'll quit.

You know I did not mean that, Jo-
anna.

It's hard to tell what people mean or

don't mean, now-a-days, said Joanna,

picking at the many fringe of the frayed

rag of a shawl. I was tired. I wanted

a drink of water. So I came to the old

well. I'll go away if you say so.

Joanna, said Dora, hesitatingly, are

you hungry?

Hungry? No. There's a sort of crav-

ing, though, on my stomach, which is

next to it, I suppose.

Would you like something to eat?

I don't beg.

Wait a minute, Joanna.

Like an arrow, Dora Oxgate sped back

into the house, where her thrifty mother

was just setting the teapot on the table.

Fresh baked waffles steamed on one side;

hot biscuits were piled in drifts of snow

on the other; preserves gleamed redly

through the cut-glass walls of the tall

dish, and limped honey oozed from a

jump of comb. For Mrs. Deacon Pea-
body and her daughter Cornet were

come to tea, and Mrs. Oxgate was a

housewife to be excused by none.

Come, Dora, quick with that water,

said Mrs. Oxgate. And shut the door.

What do you suppose is the use of fires,

if—

Mother, said Dora, speaking in a

slightly embarrassed tone, Joanna Efield

is out by the well! She is cold and

hungry, and—

Mrs. Oxgate's face hardened into lines

of stone. Miss Cornet Peabody drew

her skirts close around her, with an in-
voluntary movement, and Mrs. Peabody

looked hard into the bowl of her tea-cup.

Then let her stay cold and hungry, for

all of me! Joanna Efield is no associ-
ate for either you or me, Dora! She has

run away from home, and acted with

common strolling play-actors—she has

sung at low concert instead of keeping

that fine voice of hers for the temple of

the Lord—she has, of her own free will,

given up all that is decent and reputable

and people do say that she has taken to

drinking! And you expect me to open

my doors to such as she?

Mrs. Peabody uttered a sympathetic

groan.